

The

New Jersey Numismatic Society

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897th MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2013 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

Welcome to our 897th Meeting!

I hope everyone is ready for a busy fall season in the numismatic world: attending shows and auctions, reading new books and club journals, seeing old friends again and searching for that next big purchase!

This month, Spencer Peck will be speaking about "Wildcats! Obsolete Local Currency from the early 19th Century" which should be very interesting, colorful and educational. Please make an effort to come hear Spence talk about whether a bank in your home town issued money that "wasn't worth the paper it was printed on" or money that was "good as gold"!

As 2014 is only a few months away, please consider volunteering to serve the Society as one of its officers. Mike Fey is once again chairing the Nominating Committee, so please contact him, Carl Feldman or Harry Rescigno if you're interested.

Speaking of 2014, I'm pleased to announce that Vicken Yegparian, Vice President of Numismatics, Stack's Bowers Galleries, has agreed to be our guest speaker for our 900th meeting, scheduled for January 20, 2014! I'm sure that you'll all want to join us for this significant event!

For this month, I'm looking forward to hearing some great stories from the shows you've attended recently and seeing some really interesting show-and-tell items!

I hope to see you all at the next meeting.

Regards,

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898th MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2013 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

Welcome to our 898th Meeting!

I hope everyone enjoyed a hurricane-free Halloween and the resulting opportunity to attend the Baltimore coin show!

This month, Dave Bailey will be speaking about "Medals of George III" which should be very interesting and educational. Please make an effort to come hear Dave talk about (and show) some really beautiful medals that display the peak of the sculptor's art!

As 2014 is only a few months away, please consider volunteering to serve the Society as one of its officers. Mike Fey is once again chairing the Nominating Committee, so please contact him, Carl Feldman or Harry Rescigno if you're interested. Remember, we will be electing officers at this month's meeting.

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Welcome to our 899th meeting!

Last month, the Society elected a slate of officers for 2014. Dave Bailey will be returning to the President's chair, Ray Williams and Mike Balwierczak will be staying on as Vice President and Treasurer and I will be returning to the Secretary's position. As I am sure that you do, I offer my appreciation to Ray and Mike for their outstanding service this year and to Dave for offering to serve!

We also elected Jeff Burke as our newest member. Welcome Jeff!

I'd also like to congratulate Carl Feldman, the 2013 recipient of the Charles F. Nettleship Award for service to the Society. In addition to his past service as a Society officer, Carl is currently a member of the Liberty Seated Collectors Club Officer Transition Committee.

Once again, by popular demand, the Society will be holding an auction at the December meeting. For those of you who are new members, here is a short explanation of our auction: items to be auctioned can include books, catalogs, journals, coin albums and other such items related to numismatics. We do not auction coins, medals, currency, etc. You can divide your material into lots of one or more items and you can assign a minimum bid. The Society keeps one-half of the final sales price. If you plan on bidding, please remember to bring cash or a check to pay for your purchases.

We will cap 2013 by holding an extended show-and-tell session, as time permits, following the auction. Please feel free to bring something that will delight your fellow members and/or need a few extra minutes of explanation.

Don't forget: next month we will celebrate our 900th meeting! Vicken Yegparian, Vice President of Numismatics, Stack's Bowers Galleries, has agreed to be our guest speaker. Please make an effort to attend and hear what I'm sure will be a fascinating presentation.

Best Wishes for a Happy and Healthy 2014!

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I am honored to start my term at our nine hundredth meeting. One is humbled when I think of the legendary New Jersey numismatists who have served as NJNS president.

As you would imagine, this meeting will be very special. First, we will have a very noted guest speaker. Vicken Yegparian is a noted researcher and cataloger for Stack's Bowers Galleries. His topic will be "The Medals of the Literary Society of King's College in New York, 1767-1771: The Unheralded First Civilian Medals Produced in America." I am sure that we will all find him interesting and informative.

Also, unlike at a typical meeting, we will have <u>refreshments</u> at this one to celebrate such a great milestone. Sandwiches, cookies, coffee, soda and water will be served, so bring your appetite!

This is a new year, so remember that membership dues are due. Please pay them in a timely manner. Please send your checks for \$20.00 to the above address or pay them in person at the next meeting.

Finally, this winter has been crazy with snow and record cold. If the weather is bad, I plan to cancel any affected meetings. Better safe than sorry!!

I am really looking forward to seeing all of you at the "Big 900th".

Regards,

Dave Bailey



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901st MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2014 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

February, as a month, lends itself to many show and tell topics. President's Day could lead to coins or medals of Washington, Lincoln, or any other president. Valentine's Day also could be a lead in for love tokens, etc. Favorite coins and new acquisitions are always welcome.

I'd like to remind everyone, however, that Show-and-Tell presentations should be limited to three minutes per member. If you have an item that you'd really like to spend some time discussing, please be considerate of your fellow members and turn your Show-and-Tell into a presentation. That way you won't feel rushed and everyone will be happy.

This month Dave Potter will be speaking about "Portraiture as Propaganda in Ancient Rome". Please make an effort to come here Dave talk about a very interesting topic that I'm sure will feature some really beautiful coins!

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902nd MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2014 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

This, the 902nd meeting of the Society, will take place on March 17th at the Madison Library. The day is a natural Show-and-Tell opportunity for Irish coins; and, the wearing of the green could lead to a paper money presentation, too. Being two days after the Ides of March, the day might also prompt a Show-and-Tell on Julius Caesar, Brutus or any other Roman personality.

This month Spencer Peck will be speaking about "Collecting New Jersey". As you know, Spence is one of our most knowledgeable members, so I encourage you to make an effort to come here him speak on a very interesting topic.

Finally, we hope to be celebrating the end of this crazy winter. Please take this opportunity to emerge from your home and let us know how you've fared. (Please note: in the event of the sudden return of winter, we won't take any chances – we'll stay home once again!)

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903rd MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2014 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

April has finally come and we no longer have the specter of snow in our near future. The advent of Daylight Saving Time means that we will be driving to our meetings in daylight again.

This month Harry Rescigno, our eternally youngest (and most experienced) member, will be speaking about "The Adoptive Emperors". I always enjoy his talks and this should be another good one, as it concerns the Roman emperors from about 98 CE to 180 CE (or Trajan to Marcus Aurelius).

I'm also looking forward to some very interesting Show-and-Tell items, with topics like Easter, Passover and Spring and, hopefully, new acquisitions from the Baltimore or Watchung Hills shows.

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904th MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, MAY 19, 2014 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

May is always a busy month for New Jersey's numismatists, as we choose among the Early American Coppers annual convention, the Garden State Numismatic Association's annual convention (May 15-17 in Somerset – don't forget!) and various local coin shows.

This month, Mike McKeever, will be speaking about "The New Silver and Gold Coins from Vatican City". You may remember Mike's excellent earlier presentation on Medieval Vatican coinage and I'm sure this will be a memorable program, as well!

May gives us many opportunities for show and tell. Mother's Day provides us with a chance to show coins of famous (or infamous) mothers. Cinco de Mayo brings to mind Mexican coins, and Memorial Day could feature medals or coins of various wars. In addition, hopefully many of you will have recent acquisitions from the EAC or GSNA conventions.

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905th MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, JUNE 16, 2014 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

June is a bit of a breather for New Jersey's numismatists, as we recover from the Garden State Numismatic Association's annual convention and look forward to the Summer Seminar and annual convention of the American Numismatic Association (not to mention Baltimore and local coin shows).

This month, I will be speaking about "Conder Tokens – The American Connection". You may remember that these half-cent size coppers provide a lot to talk about, in addition to their beauty!

Since June is a month for weddings and Father's Day, you might want to consider something with a wedding theme or a father-son connection for show and tell. As always, we appreciate any and all coins – new acquisitions as well as old favorites.

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906th MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, JULY 21, 2014 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

The Society will meet in the Madison Library on its usual day this month. Unusually, the meeting won't feature a guest speaker, due to historically low turnout at the July meeting.

As a result, this July offers many (more) topics for an <u>extended</u> Show and Tell Session. Feel free to bring in a few extra show and tell items since we will have the time to enjoy them.

July is named after Julius Caesar, so any coins of ancient Rome would be topical. It is also the month of revolution (maybe due to the heat and no air-conditioning), with both the American and French revolutions beginning this month, so American and French coins are also great ideas.

With the Baltimore show in the recent past, new acquisitions are also welcome.

While I hope that as many of you as possible will attend the PNG/ANA Numismatic Tradeshow (August 2-4) and/or the ANA's *World's Fair of Money* (August 5-9) in Rosemont, IL, please note that the Society's meeting, originally scheduled for Friday, August 8^{th} at 8:00 a.m., has been cancelled due to a lack of expected attendance.

I hope to see you on the twenty-first and wish all of you a happy and safe summer. Remember, our next meeting will be on September 15th!

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907th MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2014 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

It is hard to believe that the summer has flown by and here we are, in September.

This month, Ray Williams will be presenting a recently developed program: "Spanish-American Coinage and its Influence on the Early American Economy." I'm looking forward to this presentation, as it should be a great treat for all of us. Feel free to bring a friend along to join us.

We need speakers for October and November – please consider talking to us about an aspect of numismatics you really enjoy!

Also, it's not too soon to consider serving the Society as an officer for 2015. Next month we'll form the nominating committee and elections will be held at our November meeting.

I look forward to seeing all of you again next week. Please bring some of your summer's numismatic acquisitions to share with your fellow collectors.

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At our October meeting, the Nominating Committee, chaired by Jeff Burke (jcbrarecoins@gmail.com), will present a slate of candidates for the Society's four officer positions for 2015. If you'd like to serve the Society as an officer, there's still plenty of time to contact Jeff by e-mail and volunteer.

We will elect our officers for 2015 at the November meeting.

This month, I will be presenting "Masters and Commanders – Medals from the Age of Nelson." If you're not familiar with the Great Age of Sail and the Napoleonic Wars, I hope this program will be a great treat for you. (If you are familiar, I'm sure this will be a treat!) Feel free to bring a friend along to join us.

We still need a speaker for November – please consider talking to us about an aspect of numismatics you really enjoy!

We're moving into the busy part of the numismatic year. There are auctions galore and the Baltimore Whitman Expo will be held Oct. 30 - Nov. 2

I look forward to seeing all of you again next week. Please bring some of your recent (or favorite) numismatic acquisitions to share with your fellow collectors. This month would be a great time to show some Columbus or Halloween- related material.

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At our October meeting, the Nominating Committee, chaired by Jeff Burke (jcbrarecoins@gmail.com), reported that the four current officers are all standing for reelection for 2015. Remember, if you'd like to serve the Society as an officer, there's still plenty of time to contact Jeff by e-mail and volunteer.

We will elect our officers for 2015 at the November meeting.

This month, Spencer Peck will be presenting "British and French Medals from the Age of Napoleon." As you know, Spence is one of our most knowledgeable members. I'm sure that his program, which will feature many beautiful high-relief medals, will be a great treat for everyone. Feel free to bring a friend along to join us.

Now is a good time for you to plan your presentation for 2015. We'd really like to hear about what you collect and why your area of specialization fascinates you!

I look forward to seeing all of you again next week. Please bring some of your recent (or favorite) numismatic acquisitions to share with your fellow collectors. This month would be a great time to show some new acquisitions from the Baltimore Show or to bring something related to Election Day, Veterans' Day or Thanksgiving.

Fran and I would like to wish each and every one of you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving!

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910th MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2014 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

At our November meeting, the current officers were re-elected for 2015. I would like to thank them for their work and all of you for your support this past year, for both me and the Society.

I was honored to be chosen as the twenty-second person to receive the Nettleship Award. I am humbled to be considered among the pantheon of great New Jersey numismatists. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Our December meeting will feature an extended Show-and-Tell Session. This is your opportunity to bring in anything that will take a few extra minutes of explanation or a group of items you'd like to show off.

As you look over possible Show-and-Tell items, remember that we need speakers for next year. This is a great time to consider a presentation topic!

Fran and I wish each of you and your families the happiest and healthiest of holidays and a Happy New Year!

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I would like to thank Ray Williams for conducting the December meeting in my absence. Ray is such a great asset to the Society, and to me, in particular.

This month, Pete LaConte will be speaking on "Goetz Medals." Karl Goetz was a German medalist who was active in the first part of the 20th Century. He is well known for his World War I-themed medals, many of which expressed a "pronounced" point-ofview. Pete is always willing to share his knowledge and this presentation should be a good one.

January is the month of beginnings and endings. It is also the month of the first two major shows – the New York International and the F.U.N. show in Florida. These shows usually provide many coins for show and tell. Please bring some new acquaintances or friends to share with us.

Finally, let me encourage you to pay your dues for 2015 (\$20.00) early in the year. Please send your checks to the above address or pay them in person at the next meeting you attend.

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February is a month that lends itself to show and tell. Valentine's Day could be the inspiration for love tokens as well as other well known couples such as the Frasers. Their coins and medals would be perfect topic. President's Day also serves as inspiration for any show-and-tell items that feature the presidents or political memorabilia.

This month, we are also lucky that long-time member Frank Jozapaitis will be speaking on "Classical Commemorative Errors." Since the US mints spent extra effort in the preparation and striking of these coins made from 1892 through 1951, mint errors are truly rare in the series. I am looking forward to hearing his presentation.

So far we have dodged two major snow events. Hopefully we will not have any more snow for the rest of the month. However, I remind you that in the event of inclement weather, look out for an email cancelling the meeting – in as timely a manner as we can manage. The most important thing is to use your judgment in case of bad weather.

On a sad note, Gino DeTogni, also a long-time member, has fallen and hurt himself again. I am sure that all of you join me in wishing him a speedy recovery.

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Hopefully, we have dodged all the major snow events for this winter and we're all very ready for the meeting that we couldn't hold last month.

March has certainly come in like a Lion and hopefully will leave like a Lamb. Lions and Lambs could be great topics for show-and-tell. Since our meeting will fall between the Ides of March and St. Patrick's Day, Roman coins of the Caesars and/or Irish coins would also be good show-and-tell items. You could also bring all those great new acquisitions or old friends you were going to bring last month.

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T.S. Elliot felt that April was the cruelest month, but, for me, things are looking good for this month.

Winter is over, and we survived. Flowers are beginning to bloom, and coin shows are spring up everywhere!

Be sure to check out Ray Williams' article ("An Evening with My Collection") in the April issue of *The Numismatist*. To me, it focuses on what collecting is really about: the embodiment of beauty, history and the lure of coins.

We will be having a guest speaker this month, David Noyes. Dave will be speaking on National Bank Notes, his specialty.

Show-and-Tell should be interesting this month. Baltimore finds should lead the new acquisitions. Passover and Easter fell at the same time, so coins of the Bible would be a wonderful subject. The Civil War started April 11, 1861, so Civil War tokens or coinage could peak our interest, too.

Finally, I hope you've paid your dues for 2015 (\$20.00). If not, please send your checks to the above address or pay them in person at the next meeting you attend. Your membership is vital in keeping the Society viable!

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I am very proud that the Society has been awarded "Club of the Year" by the Garden State Numismatic Association. Kudos to Dave Ginsburg for writing the nomination - Well done, Dave.

Not only did the Society receive its award, but one of our own will be the GSNA's Numismatist of the Year. Jeff Burke has impressed many New Jersey collectors with his well- written articles which have been published in several numismatic publications. He is truly deserving of the award.

Unfortunately, neither I nor Ray Williams will be able to attend our May meeting. Ray will be making a presentation to another coin club and I will be on vacation in Williamsburg, VA. I'm sure that Dave Ginsburg will be an acceptable substitute to preside over the meeting.

Long-time Society member Harry Rescigno will be presenting on "Some Important Roman Coins." His presentations are always very interesting and enjoyable.

I would like to invite all of you to attend the GSNA's annual meeting on Saturday, May 16th at noon, so that you can help accept our award (and feel free to view the exhibits and buy some coins while you're there). Please visit the GSNA's website for directions, hours and a list of dealers.

The GSNA could always use volunteers. If you have a few hours to spare to work at the Convention, please let me know at 718-761-6596.

Don't forget: the Society will be discussing its vote for the ANA's officers and Board at the June meeting. The Society didn't cast a vote during the last election because the membership didn't feel it knew any of the candidates well enough. Please start considering for whom (or if) you'd like the Society to cast its vote.

I hope to see all of you on Saturday and at the June meeting. See you then and bring a friend.

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Welcome to June, the beginning of Summer and the numismatic "busy season" as there are several national shows and events coming up, including the ANA's Summer Seminar and its Annual Convention.

Last month we welcomed a first-time guest, Richard Peters. Let's hope his attendance is the beginning of a trend!

This month long-time Society member Ray Williams will be presenting on "Colonial American Currency." His presentations are always very interesting, enjoyable and educational.

I will also say a few words about my visit to Colonial Williamsburg to view its numismatic collection.

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I hope you've been able to take advantage of the numismatic "busy season" and attend one or more national coin shows, or even the ANA's Summer Seminar. Not to mention, the ANA's Annual Convention is coming up.

This month, in lieu of a speaker, the meeting will feature an "extended" Show-and-Tell session. This is your chance to bring in one or more items that you'd like to spend a few minutes talking about. Please keep in mind, if you discover something you'd like to spend five or ten minutes talking about – we'd love to have you do a presentation at a later meeting!

Since we won't have a meeting in August, if I don't see you next week, I hope you have a great summer and join us in September fully refreshed. We've got an "Extra Special" Speaker scheduled in September, so I know you won't want to miss that meeting!

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Welcome back. I hope that everyone had a great summer. September is the start of the local coin show season so I'm looking forward to seeing a lot of recent purchases!

I hope you were able to take advantage of some interesting numismatic opportunities over the summer and will have a lot to tell us.

In July the Society elected Richard Peters as its newest member. Welcome Richard!

This month we will have a very special, perhaps even a unique, presentation. David Gladfelter will discuss his project to acquire and print proofs from several early 19th century New Jersey banknote plates. David is an esteemed scholar of New Jersey numismatics and numismatic history. This is a great opportunity and we're very grateful to David for agreeing to speak to us.

Since I expect a busy meeting, I want to remind everyone to limit "show-and-tell" presentations to three items or two minutes. If you have a lot of material to show, please spread it out over the next few meetings.

Or, consider signing up for a presentation – we need speakers for November and onward.

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We will elect our officers for 2016 at the November meeting.

If you missed last month's meeting, you missed a good one. David Gladfelter presented a history of early New Jersey banks and exhibited very rare copper plates used to print their notes, along with some surviving genuine notes and contemporary counterfeits. You can read about David's presentation in Jeff Burke's article in the September 27, 2015 edition of *The E-Sylum*, the <u>free</u> weekly email newsletter published by the Numismatic Bibliomania Society.

Also, old friend Ron Thompson came north and visited the club. We spoke about the clubs in Georgia, and he commented that he missed the NJNS and the special bond we have in numismatics. Sometimes we forget how special we are.

David Ginsburg sent me a message that he will be having back surgery soon, and that he might miss the October meeting. Our prayers and well wishes go to him for a speedy recovery.

Dave's talk will be presented at a future date. I will be stepping in and will give a presentation on "Colonial Williamsburg - A Numismatic Adventure." Hopefully, after my talk, you will consider a visit to this great historic site.

I'm excited that we're moving into the busy part of the numismatic year. There are auctions galore and the Baltimore Whitman Expo will be held Nov. 5th through the 8th.

Finally, a reminder that we will not be meeting in Madison in November. Dave will attempt to secure the Chatham Library for our meeting. Stay tuned!

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919th MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2015 Library of the Chathams, 7:30 p.m.

We will meet in the Library of the Chathams this month, as our usual meeting room at the Madison Library will be closed for repairs.

I'm sure that all of you were as shocked and saddened by the unexpected death of David Potter as I was. My prayers go out to his family. I would like to take a few minutes at our meeting to share stories and thoughts of Dave.

After much discussion and a poll of the membership, it was decided not to have a Holiday Dinner this year. Instead, our December meeting will feature an extended showand-tell session with some sweet treats provide by Fran.

At our November meeting, the Nominating Committee, chaired by Jeff Burke (jcbrarecoins@gmail.com), will present a final slate of candidates for the Society's four officer positions for 2016. If you'd like to serve the Society as an officer, there's still plenty of time to contact Jeff by e-mail and volunteer.

Remember, we will elect our officers for 2016 at the November meeting.

This month, Dave Ginsburg will be presenting on "Some Early American Checks." It promises to be full of interesting historical details and "name dropping" of some famous early 19th Century Americans. I'm sure it will be interesting, enjoyable and educational!

November lends itself to Show-and-Tell topics. Veteran's Day is a good reason to show some medals or other military-related items. Thanksgiving gives us the opportunity to show off our Pilgrim Half Dollars or other items. I also hope to see some new purchases from the recent Baltimore Whitman Expo!

I hope to see all of you at our next meeting - with a friend. If you don't make it to the meeting, I wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

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920th MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2015 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

We will be back in the Madison Public Library this month, as they have finished their construction.

I, Ray, Mike and Dave thank you for the opportunity to lead and serve the Society for another year. I want to thank Ray, Mike and Dave for their service this past year and assure you that we'll all work hard towards a successful 2016 for the Society.

This month, we will hold an "expanded" Show-and-Tell session, so if you have anything that needs an extra few minutes of explanation or if you have several items to show, this is the month to do it!

In light of the Holiday Season, light refreshments will be provided.

Fran and I wish everyone and their families the happiest of holidays as well as a happy, prosperous, and, most importantly, a healthy New Year.

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921st MEETING NOTICE – MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2016 Madison Public Library, 7:30 p.m.

Welcome to what is already promising to be a wonderful numismatic year!

I'm sure there will be a lot of numismatic treasures to be seen and acquired in the months ahead. Plus, we already have an impressive slate of speakers scheduled so far, including two outside guests! We still have some months available, so let me know if you'd like to make a presentation.

This month, Pete LaConte will be speaking on "Coins of the Carolingian Empire." Charlemagne, who became King of the Franks in 768, united most of Western Europe under his rule and was crowned the first Holy Roman Emperor in 800. He died in 814, passing his realm to his son, Louis. I'm sure this will be a most interesting presentation.

I'm also looking forward to seeing a lot of new acquisitions from FUN, the New York International and the Parsippany shows at our Show-and-Tell session.

Finally, let me encourage you to pay your dues for 2016 (\$20.00) early in the year. Please send your checks to the above address or pay them in person at the next meeting you attend.

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President's Message - February 2016

The NJNS will meet on February 15th at the Madison Library, saddened by the untimely death of Dave Ginsberg.

I had planned to give a talk on Civil War Tokens, but I plan to postpone it for another time. I want to dedicate this meeting to Dave. Let's share our memories, feelings, and experiences. I saw many of you at Dave's wake, and I feel that it is important to share our thoughts at this time as a tribute to Dave and his contribution to numismatics and the NJNS.

We will follow the tribute with an extended Show and Tell. February lends itself to many Show and Tell topics.

I would also like to thank Ray Williams for offering to act as Secretary in Dave's absence until a new Secretary is appointed.

I hope to see all of you there, and bring a friend.